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AFP PAKISTAN--HUMANITARIAN TGROUPS SEEK PROTECTION

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((TEXT)) PSHAWAR PAKISTAN FEB 14 (AFP)--MORE THAN 20
 FOREIGN HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATIONS BASED HERE IN NORTHWEST PAKISTAN
 DEMANDED SUNDAY THAT THEY BE GIVEN PROTECTION BY THE UNITED
 NATIONS AND THE PAKISTANI AUTHORITIES
 THEIR DEMAND CAME AFTER THE MURDER HERE THURSDAY OF A
 WELL-KNOWN AFGHAN INTELLECTUAL PROFESSOR SAYYED BHAUDDIN

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MAJROOH PROF. MAJROOH, 60, WAS HEAD OF THE AFGHAN INFORMATION CENTRE, AN OUTLET FOR PRO-RESISTANCE PUBLICATIONS. HE WAS ALSO A DEAN OF THE LITERATURE FACULTY AT KABUL UNIVERSITY BEFORE THE SOVIET INTERVENTION IN AFGHANISTAN IN 1979.

HE HAD DRAWN THE ENMITY OF EXTREMIST MUJAHEDDEEN RESISTANCE MEMBERS FOR PUBLISHING AN OPINION POLL SUGGESTING THAT A MAJORITY OF AFGHAN REFUGEES WANTED THE RETURN OF FORMER KING ZAHER SHAH. OBSERVERS SAID HERE.

AN ANALYST IN ISLAMABAD SAID SUNDAY "THIS MURDER IS AN EXAMPLE OF THE INCREASINGLY BITTER STRUGGLE BETWEEN MUJAHEDDEEN SUPPORTERS OF THE KING AND THE ISLAMIC EXTREMISTS."

MORE THAN 20 PRIVATE FOREIGN HUMANITARIAN GROUPS WORKING FOR AFGHAN REFUGEES INSIDE AND OUTSIDE AFGHANISTAN EXPRESSED SUNDAY IN THE LOCAL 43 5#384 &483' -5 049'. MAJROOH'S MURDER AND DEMANDED THE "PROTECTION OF THE CONCERNED AUTHORITIES AND THE UNITED NATIONS."

INFORMED SOURCES SAID THEY WERE WORRIED BECAUSE OF GROWING PRESSURE FROM EXTREMIST MUJAHEDDEEN RESISTANCE GROUPS, NOTABLY THE HEZB-E ISLAMI OF GULBUDDIN HIKMATYAR, AND A SERIES OF BOMB ATTACKS IN PAKISTAN, ALLEGEDLY CARRIED OUT BY THE AFGHAN SECRET POLICE (KHAD), IN WHICH ABOUT 500 PEOPLE HAVE DIED IN A YEAR.

LAST YEAR, MUJAHEDDEEN EXTREMISTS KIDNAPPED DOCTORS AND ROBBED HUMANITARIAN CONVOYS IN AFGHANISTAN, OBSERVERS NOTED.

HUMANITARIAN ORGANISATIONS WORKING IN THE PESHAWAR REGION ARE TO CLOSE THEIR OFFICES AND STOP ACTIVITIES MONDAY AS A MARK OF RESPECT FOR PROF. MAJROOH.

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